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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application -Filing Date Granted, dated June 29, 2004, in the above-identified application, the time for reply to which having been extended for one month from August 29, 2004, to and including September 29, 2004, by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and Fee, Applicants submit herewith (1) an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, and (2) a set of Formal Drawings, together with the required copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 were required. Applicants enclose herewith seventeen sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-17) to replace the previously submitted drawing papers.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$130.00 fee required in connection with Applicants' late filing of the Declaration to Deposit Account No. 19-4709. In the event that any additional fee is now or hereafter required, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of such fee to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 19-4709.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please do not hesitate to contact applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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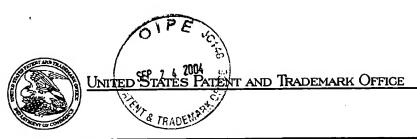
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 1-17.
 - The drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) (see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1)). See Figure(s) 1-17.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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